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#### 5th Thank-A-Thon Expresses our Appreciation



For the past five years the Foundation has taken the opportunity to express appreciation to our donors by having the Barton Community College student ambassadors contact them by phone to say "thank you". Our annual Thank-A-Thon was held on November 24th with students calling and visiting with those who support many Barton students and other Foundation endeavors. These one-on-one phone calls give us a chance to acknowledge and show our gratitude by personally contacting our contributors

(when most colleges and universities are calling their constituents to ask for more financial support).

It is a joy to watch and listen as the students make the phone calls and how excited they are when they have the opportunity to visit with the benefactors. It allows them to think about the person who has chosen to support Barton financially and the positive impact from their donation. Smiles, stories, and joy are shared by the student and the donors. It is an evening of true appreciation and recognition on everyone's part.

We don't contact our business contributors because of the time we make the calls, but we have great gratitude for any and all benefactors and we enjoy showing our appreciation in several different ways. This is an evening event that not only gives us a chance to thank some of our donors; it also gives the student an opportunity to share their personal thanks for being on the receiving side of the generous donations. It is a win/win situation for everyone involved. We hope this annual Thank-A-Thon gives the donors as much pleasure as it does for our Foundation and the students who participated in making the phone calls.



# Bitter Sweet Good Bye from Darnell



Darnell Holopirek

When you are young and just starting your life's dreams and career you think retirement is just a word or idea and it seems very far away. However, the day arrives when it becomes a reality and you reach this point with mixed emotions. On January 5, 2015 I will leave my position as Executive Director of Institutional Advancement (Foundation Director), or you could say a "jack-of-all-trades" in the field of friend and fundraising for Barton Community College. I am sad to leave a job that I love and enjoy so much, the people who have made it possible to be successful, and the students and college that I serve. With change comes new adventures and the Foundation wouldn't be what it is today if I had been afraid of trying new things or making adjustments for the betterment of

the mission. Now I want to do the same thing for my personal advantage. My leaving is truly bitter sweet for me - I want to go, but I don't want to leave – however, I am anxious to start living the lifestyle Mel and I have worked to gain. We are excited to spend more time with our children and grandchildren and to appreciate the blessings we have received.

I previously worked for Barton in the Community Education department as the Business and Industry Marketing Coordinator, but I truly found my niche and career choice almost 12 years ago when I took the position to lead the Foundation. Each job an individual has prepares them for their next opportunity or challenge, and needless to say, when I came to this not-for-profit corporation I had a lot to learn. It didn't take long for me to realize this had been my ultimate goal and I instantly had the passion I needed to manage and lead this organization. My personality, skills, and desires seemed to fit what was needed to grow the assets and accomplishments of the Foundation and to assist the college in becoming a premier educational institution with strong partnerships and a wonderful group of generous donors. As supervisor of the staff of the Shafer Art Gallery, the Public Relations Department, and the Silver Cougar Club along with our everyday tasks, I can truthfully say there hasn't been a day we weren't doing something good for the benefit of the college or students we serve.

I was fortunate to inherit three wonderful Foundation staff members (Coleen, Donna, and Michelle) and with their assistance and guidance our efforts blossomed quickly to find new and innovative ways to make great things happen for all involved. It took a lot of effort and hard work, but looking back now all of it has been very worthwhile. All of the staff that I supervise are outstanding employees with a sincere desire to do their jobs well in their own field of expertise. The Foundation assets have grown immensely and our donor and constituent base has

expanded far beyond our local communities. Our stewardship is top notch. We have the trust and respect of the diverse entities we work with, which includes internal and external individuals. That was so important for me to achieve and I took our stewardship very seriously by communicating well with each person we encountered.

There are too many accomplishments to list so I will have to keep them in my memory and smile as I think of the successes (and some failures) of each opportunity we encountered. I will remember how many different relationships were built by being sincere about the mission of the Foundation and having the determination of making a difference for our students and our benefactors. I always felt it wasn't just what the college wanted or needed, but how could I help a donor fulfill their desire to give to others or to leave their personal legacy. Our donors have become faithful friends which means the world to me.

I have to brag on the many Foundation Board of Directors which I have had the pleasure to work with through these years. Each have shared their business experience and support as they guide the management of our department. They have given their time and resources to enhance the opportunities for the Foundation and it has given them a new insight about our educational operations and the programs we have to offer students. Once their term of service is over they have remained a strong ambassador for our college and feel much wiser about the economic impact we present to our regional communities.

Thank you dear friends, colleagues and especially my staff for allowing me to share these many years of enjoyment, challenges, and successes. I have been blessed by the wonderful relationships I have come to cherish so I now leave with a thankful heart, a smile on my face, faith of what a donor can create, and a passion to continue to live my life to the fullest. I will take on my new life adventure with the same excitement and passion I enjoyed at Barton Community College.

I personally thank you for all of your encouragement, support, and friendship throughout my time here; you are what has made my tenure so successful. I hope you make the effort to meet our new Executive Director and I would ask you to continue to support the mission and endeavors of the Foundation for future years to come. We do "make a difference" in the lives of those who want to pursue an education or career.

Darnell

"Live Today as if it were the day for which you will be remembered."

### 2014-2015 Scholarship List

The Barton Community College Foundation sincerely thanks the donors whose generosity, vision, and foresight created the following endowments and annually funded scholarships which assist Barton Community College and its students:

Adams, Brown, Beran & Ball, CPA Scholarship **American State Bank Business Studies** Scholarship **Anonymously Funded Basics Program** Scholarship G. E. and Lois Alban Academic Scholarship Elmer and Frances Amerine Scholarship Regina Ault Scholarship Golda Underhill Bailey Memorial Scholarship Bank of America Scholarship Nancy Bartley Scholarship Barton Community College Alumni Scholarship **Barton Community College Foundation** Memorial Scholarship Barton Community College Office **Professionals Scholarship** Barton County Bar Association Scholarship

Barton County Medical Society Scholarship
Barton Enhancement and Scholarship Team
Scholarship
Amos Bayer Memorial Scholarship
Wayne Becker Memorial Scholarship
Virgil and Eloise Belford Scholarship

Craig and Jolene Biggs Scholarship
Danny and Darlene Biggs Scholarship
Danny and Darlene Biggs Nursing
Scholarship

Robert Bonomo Memorial Scholarship Maloy and Pauline Breitenbach Allied Health Scholarship

Neva and L. E. Brocher Scholarship Clair and Jean Cavanaugh Scholarship Central Kansas Upward Bound High School Scholarship

Central Kansas Upward Bound Transfer Scholarship

Challenge ECF Scholarship Marilyn K. Funk-Charles Scholarship Clara Barton Nursing Scholarship George Cusick Scholarship Edith and Harry Darby Foundation Scholarship

Jess E. Darnall Scholarship
Verna S. Davis Memorial Scholarship
Frank J. Dome Memorial Scholarship
Dove Chevrolet Buick Cadillac Scholarship
Dove Family Memorial Scholarship
Quentin Dressler Memorial Scholarship
Irva E. Fair Drews Memorial Scholarship
Lynn and Hazel Duke Memorial Scholarship
Jackie Elliott Student Support Scholarship

Chrissie Roe Evans and Dick B. Evans Memorial Scholarship Ira and Eunice Farmer Memorial Scholarship Farmers Bank & Trust Financial Management Scholarship

Jerry E. Felkel Memorial Scholarship Fellowship of Faith ECF Scholarship First Baptist Church ECF Scholarship

F. D. Forbes Scholarship

Emil John Gabelmann Memorial Scholarship Gas Measurement Training Council Academic Scholarship

Gus and Ethel Gagelman Memorial Scholarship

Clifford and Pauline Getz Scholarship Great Bend Farm Equipment/Hopkins Scholarship

Ernest Grossardt Memorial Scholarship Jeanette K. Haak Memorial Scholarship Leila Hamilton Scholarship Larry Harvey Memorial Scholarship

Jim and Jo Ann Heaton Memorial

Endowment

Heartland Riders for Christ Chapter Scholarship

Ed and Cheryl Heier Scholarship

Elsa Hiatt Academic Scholarship Grant Lee Hoener Memorial Scholarship Harold Hudnall Scholarship Karen Jensen Ireland Memorial Scholarship Marian Isern Scholarship Fund Graydon Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund Edward L. "Dusty" Jones MLT Scholarship

Barbara Jordan Memorial Scholarship Ramona J. Goering Keenan Memorial Music Scholarship

Stanley and Elizabeth Post-Kimple Memorial Scholarship

Mary King Fine Arts Endowment Louis S. and Mary L. Kinzel Family Memorial Scholarship

Kirkman Endowment for Academic Studies Ashton Knorr Koelsch Memorial Scholarship Emmet and Elizabeth Koelsch Academic

Scholarship

Helen M. Koopman Memorial Scholarship Mary C. Krause Memorial Scholarship The Kummer Family Scholarship LCHMF Reaching Out From Within Program Scholarship LaOpportunidad Scholarship Clarence and Lucile Lebbin Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Raymond J. Leiker Scholarship for MLT Studies

**Nell Lyons Scholarship** 

Paul & Teddi Maneth Educational Endowment M. E. "Eustace" Marmie Memorial Scholarship Wilfred B. Marquis Memorial Scholarship Tony and Marguerite McAnnulla Memorial Fund

Grace and Clay McConnell Memorial Scholarship

Bryan and LaVerne McCullough Endowment Barbara McPherson Memorial Endowment J. A. Mermis, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Betty L. Miller Memorial Scholarship Tim Miller Honorarium Scholarship Marlene Morrison Endowment Fund Keith and Marian Mull Endowment for Academic Studies

George and Ruth Murdy Memorial Scholarship

Murphy Family Enterprises Endowment Roger and Mary Lou Murphy Scholarship NACE International/Kansas Section of NACE International Scholarship

W. G. and Beatrice Nicholson Memorial Scholarship

Melvin O. Nuss Academic Award Loren and Maxine Pease Scholarship Rosalie Jean Pennington Memorial Scholarship

Post Rock Jaycees Basics Program Scholarship Ralph & Michael Raffelock Memorial Scholarship

Monica Bell Reser Memorial Scholarship William and Johanna Rinker Nursing Scholarship

Yvonne Robbins Women in Leadership & Entrepreneur Studies Scholarship

W. R. and Yvonne Robbins Scholarship in Financial Management

Mamie Robl Memorial Endowment Grace Rowden Scholarship

Tony and Edna Schartz Memorial Scholarship C & R Schauf Foundation Nursing Scholarship Donna Schmidt Memorial Scholarship Fred and Renee Schmitt Memorial

Scholarship

Glen A. Schuetz Family Scholarship Larry and Kathy Schugart Scholarship Genevieve Schulz Memorial Scholarship

#### 2014-2015 Scholarship List (continued)

Ray "Jiggs" Schulz Scholarship
Carl W. Sebits Scholarship in Business
Administration
L. E. "Gus" Shafer Endowed Memorial
Scholarship
Silver Cougar Club Scholarship
Frank and Lelia Smith Scholarship Fund
Bill E. Sowles Memorial Scholarship
Lisa Spatz-Smith Memorial Scholarship

Walter and Betty Straub Scholarship Sunflower Bank Scholarship Superior Essex Academic Award George Tregellas Chairman's Scholarship George and Cleo Tregellas Scholarship in Music

Landon Unruh Memorial Scholarship Loren and Gayle Unruh Scholarship Frank (Ryan) Vondra Scholarship Vocal / Instrumental Music Scholarship
Dean Wells Memorial Scholarship
William C. Wells Memorial Scholarship
Jerry and Theda Jo Wendel Scholarship
Western Kansas Manufacturers Scholarship
Don and Phyllis Whelan Academic
Scholarship
Larry Zinn Scholarship

## Scholarship Recipients

Audree Aguilera, Lyons Cathryn Anschutz, Lucas Samantha Arnold-McLaughlin, Larned Nichole Batchman, Great Bend Jerica Battaglear, Hoisington Trina Bauer, Pawnee Rock Dakota Benson, Pretty Prairie Adam Birzer, Ellinwood Mary Bitter, Olmitz Shirah Bolding, Great Bend Erin Bowers, Great Bend Ashton Brady, Chase Patricia Braman, Wichita Katie Bretton, Wakeeney Brittany Brock, WaKeeney Mathew Bruce, Great Bend Kiralynn Bunn, Great Bend Amanda Burgardt, Great Bend John Burnett, Riley Derion Burnside, Great Bend Byanca Bustillos Gonzalez, Garfield Calli Calahan, Lindsborg

**Great Bend** Terisa Carter, Lyons Jennifer Chapman, Otis Zachary Chism, Great Bend Colton Churchill, Ellinwood Amber Clark, Abilene Ryan Clark, Great Bend Katrina Cline, Great Bend Kevin Coleman, Great Bend Chelsea Conaway, Wichita Joy Conner, Great Bend Ashley Corn, Great Bend Sierra Cross, Great Bend Kena Daniels, Great Bend Allissa Davis Larned Stephanie Davis, Great Bend Camelle Deege, Kinsley Carley Deege, Kinsley Coryell Deege, Albert Luis Delgadillo, Great Bend Stacy Denning, Great Bend

Cailin Caldwell, Lawrence

Adriana Carreon-Pierce,

Juan Diaz, Salina Desiree' Diehl, Great Bend Malia Disque, Great Bend Larissa Donovan, Hoisington Melissa Dove, Stafford Lindsay Dunekack, Topeka Lindsey Ensley, Great Bend Jody Erb, Great Bend Karly Esfeld, Great Bend Luis Espino, Great Bend Melissa Espino, Larned Jaimie Fehr, Great Bend Kilev Flint, Great Bend Margaret Flint, Great Bend Jesus Gallegos, Leoti Adam Garbin, Minneapolis Michael Gauby, Great Bend Allison Giles, Larned Emily Girard, Claflin Kelsey Glynn, Great Bend Jorge Gonzalez, Great Bend Amber Gould, Stafford Emily Griffin, Lawrence Megan Guinn, Pratt Kimmberly Harper, Hoisington Charles Hayes, Hutchinson Agata Hearn, Great Bend Ty Heitschmidt, Bushton Dylan Heitz, Bethany Brooke Henning, Great Bend Markie Hestand, Great Bend Jessica Hillegeist, Lincoln Branson Hoffman, Larned Megan Holinde, Great Bend Joshua Holuska, Great Bend Delaney Hutchins, Larned Aurelio Ibarra, Macksville Glenn Imler, Hoisington Jessica Jaske, Ellinwood Denton Johnson, Larned Carli Jording, Great Bend Maili Kee, Salina Aimee Kepka, Great Bend Andrea Klepper, Ellinwood Daniel Klima, Hoisington Samuel Kline-Martin, Ellinwood Josh Komarek, Ellinwood

Brittany Krieger, Hoisington McKenzie Kula, Lawrence Catelynne LePage, Solomon Amanda Lewis, Claflin Nicole Likes, Great Bend Hannah Maddy, Great Bend Robert Mangold, Great Bend Elizabeth Martinez, Great Bend Eduardo Martinez, Dodge City Kami Maxwell, Odin William Maze, Ellsworth Ryan McClure, Lyons Gentry McLeland, Ellinwood Kali Mercer, Clearwater James Mermis, Gorham Kerri Mitchell, LaCrosse Geovanni Morales, Great Bend Trey Mosier, Ellinwood Hannah Mosier, Great Bend Dallas Munden, Great Bend Dekota Nelson, Otis Brittany Newacheck, Havs Desmond Noah, Hoisington Matraca Ochs, Hoisington Kristen Oneal, Great Bend Martin Ortiz, Wichita Kaitlin Otter, Great Bend Brooke Panning, Ellinwood Ranid Panzer, Ellsworth Taylor Parr, Larned Tracy Patterson, Great Bend Taylor Pennington, Russell Tayton Pennington, Russell Shianne Perkins, Bushton Kristin Portelli, Manhattan Weston Price, Bushton Devani Prieto, Great Bend Breahna Procopio, Great Bend Rachel Proffitt, LaCrosse Chase Pumford, Great Bend Alireza Rafiei, Great Bend Raul Ramirez, Great Bend Ambonirina Razafindrabe,

Great Bend
Shana Reed, Ellsworth
Rechael Register, Hoisington
Dillon Reiser, Great Bend

Tyra Reynolds, Hoisington Ashley Richardson, Galatia Wesley Roberds, Topeka Dreamer Roberson, Wilson Niccolette Sammons, Ellsworth Mary Sandberg, Ellinwood Kade Sander, Great Bend Elizabeth Scheuerman,

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#### 2013-14 Foundation Certified Audit

The annual examination of all activities and functions of the Barton Community College Foundation was performed by Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball again this past September. They are provided with materials and documents for review so they have a full understanding of the actions and accomplishments of the past year. Personal interviews with the Foundation, Cohen Center for Kansas History, and Shafer Gallery staff are conducted to ensure we operate in full compliance with all rules and regulations of the IRS along with the ethical expectation of a well-run non-profit.

For the past 10 years we have received the highest standard, which is called an unqualified audit report. It is conducted in accordance with auditing

standards generally accepted in the United States of America. We are proud to be good stewards of the funds we manage; at the same time it solidifies our standards by having the evidence we are doing the correct things on a daily basis. As the Foundation grows its assets and works with diversified activities and donors, we continue to improve our policies and procedures according to the laws. As we support our students and college it is vital to know we have the right management along with having ethical and responsible actions and procedures in place and all are in constant compliance un-

der our not-for-profit status. It is always rewarding to receive the highest standard outcome from our independent certified audit.

# Barton Community College CALENDAR

# DECEMBER

December 8

Summer 2015 Registration

Begins

December 8-11 **Final Examination Days** 

December 11
Close of Fall 2014 Semester

December 15-19 **Campus Offices Open**(No Classes)

December 22 - January 2 **Christmas/New Year Break**(No Classes/Offices Closed)

# JANUARY

January 5-9
Campus Offices Open
(No Classes)

January 9
Spring 2015 Registration
Ends

January 12 **Spring 2015 Classes Begin** 

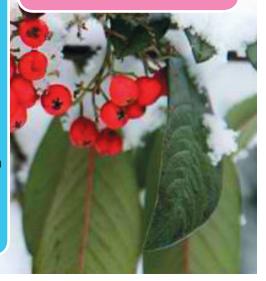
January 12-16

Spring 2015 Late Registration

January 19 **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**(No Classes/Offices Closed)

# FEBRUARY

February 18
Homecoming - 7 pm - Gym



#### How Charitable Plans Benefit Clients Seminar

On September 16, 2014 the Barton Community College Foundation and Golden Belt Community Foundation offered a continuing education seminar to benefit attorneys, financial planners and certified public accountants. The seminar was for those engaged in the estate planning process, as well as other financial and tax preparers who provide guidance and strategies for transferring wealth and reducing estate taxes.

The three-hour seminar was led by Pamela J. Davison, J.D., a consultant and charitable gift planner from Bloomington, Indiana. Her experience and credentials in the planned giving field gave the attendees a wide range of ideas and legal advice to assist their clients in estate planning. Pam was a former

examiner in the Gift and Estate Tax Division of the IRS and in the private practice of law. She could establish particular circumstances where advice and direction could be given to clients and how to look for positive potential tax savings when creating a planned gift. Twenty local professionals attended the morning workshop and were pleased to receive continuing educational credits, including "ethics", which is required for their particular role of advising people with their charitable and gifting plans.

It was nice to offer this training by partnering with Golden Belt Community Foundation and having the opportunity to remind these professionals to think of our foundations when visiting with their clients.

#### Our Barton Employees are the BEST

Our Foundation conducted the annual employee giving campaign the month of November. This is the timeframe when Barton employees have the opportunity to donate to a fund which supports the students they serve. We created a fund named the BEST, which makes one think the finest, excellent, or greatest (and those adjectives could describe the people that financially support this special campaign), but it is also an acronym for Barton Enhancement & Scholarship Team. Each year we ask our employees to give their personal resources to support academic scholarships and special projects which benefit the stu-

dent population. Being the fundraising arm of the College we always tell our Barton family if we expect our community constituents to support our efforts, then we should be willing to do the same. "Thanks" to each person who was generous enough to share our mission and vision.





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